BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2019-181-E - ORDER NO. 2019-451

JUNE 19, 2019

IN RE: Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Approval of the Transfer and Sale of Property Located in Holly Springs, North

Carolina

ORDER APPROVING

) THE SALE OF REAL

) ESTATE IN HOLLY

) SPRINGS, NORTH

) CAROLINA

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-1300, this matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or "Company") for approval of the transfer and sale of certain real estate known as the Holly Springs, North Carolina property ("Property") located in DEP's North Carolina service territory. According to DEP, the Property is approximately 140 acres of vacant land located south of New Hill Road that is not required for the Company's current utility operations. DEP seeks to sell this property to ABCZ Ventures, LLC, a North Carolina limited liability company not affiliated with DEP, for \$7,000,000. The Company represents that this transaction will have no impact upon its ability to provide reliable electric service to its customers at just and reasonable rates.

The Property was originally acquired by DEP-predecessor Carolina Power & Light Company, as part of the development of the Shearon Harris Nuclear Plant. However, the Property has now been determined to be surplus. The Property has a

calculated tax value of \$5,712,503 and an appraised value of \$7,000,000. The original

cost of the property will be credited as a reduction of the amount carried under Account

101, "Electric Plant in Service." The difference between the sales price and the original

cost of the non-depreciable property will be applied to Account 421.10, "Gain on

Disposition of Property."

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff has been served with a copy of the

application and exhibits and recommends approval of the transfer and sale of the

Property. Further, no opposition to the request has been filed in the Docket.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Under Section 58-27-1300, Commission approval is required for regulated

electric utilities seeking to sell real property with a fair market value in excess of

\$1,000,000. The Property, which is part of DEP's North Carolina service area but is also

included in its South Carolina rate base, meets this requirement for approval.

We have examined this matter and we approve the sale. The record shows that

the sale is just and reasonable, and the Company proposes to properly account for it in its

books.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Comer H. Randall, Chairman

Justin 7. Williams, Vice Chairman

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